

Tribal Program Newsletter

This newsletter provides information on meetings and conferences, upcoming training, available grants and loans, relevant Web sites, job opportunities and miscellaneous information. Input and feedback are appreciated. For more information, please contact Maria Castain (415) 972-3264 or through email castain.maria@epa.gov or visit our Web site: http://www.epa.gov/region09/cross_pr/indian/newslet.html

Don't let yesterday use up too much of today (Cherokee)

Meetings and conferences

Apr. 7-8 Tribal Energy Southwest Conference, Las Vegas, NV
Call: (800) 854-8009

Apr. 17-22 Region 10 Tribal Leaders Summit, Sitka, AK
Contact: <http://www.sitkatribes.org>

Apr. 19-21 National Tribal Forum Conference, Red Wing, MN

For information, and applications, please visit
<http://www4.nau.edu/itep/programs/ntf05.asp> or call Dan Florio, at:
Danny.Florio@nau.edu

Apr. 21-24 Society for CA Archaeology (SCA) Annual Meeting, Sacramento, CA

Information about the SCA and its programs can be found on Web site
<http://www.scahome.org>. If you have questions about the upcoming meeting
or the SCA Native American Programs Committee, please call (530) 629-
3153 or email jpeidsness@yahoo.com.

April 25-28 Annual Toxicology and Risk Assessment Conference, Fairborn, OH

Jointly sponsored by EPA, the Department of Defense, the National Institute
for Occupational Health, and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease
Registry, the theme for this year's conference is "Predictive Toxicology." The
2005 conference will include concurrent scientific sessions, risk assessment
workshops, a poster session, and a student poster competition. For more
details and to view a copy of the conference agenda please go to:
<http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/cfm/recordisplay.cfm?deid=117724>.

Apr. 26-28 Regional Tribal Operating Committee (RTOC), San Francisco, CA
Contact: Lilia Dignan (415) 972-3779 or email Dignan.lilia@epa.gov

**May 11-14 Annual Wind Energy Applications and Training Symposium (WEATS),
Boulder, CO**

The WEATS fee will be waived for Native American participants. If interested in attending, contact Tony Jimenez at tony_jimenez@nrel.gov. The following Web site has more information: <http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy04osti/36418.pdf>

**May 24-26 4th Annual Conference on Environmental Conflict Resolution (ECR),
Tucson, AZ**

This conference will focus on understanding ECR principles and practices, engaging multiple governments, parties and affected communities and encouraging innovations and new applications. For more information, visit <http://www.mediusevents.com/ECR2005> or call 1-877-ECR2005.

**Jun. 7-10 7th National Tribal Conference on Environmental Management, Traverse
City, MI**

The Grand Traverse Band (GTB) of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians invites participation in this conference. GTB will have significant room for interested vendors at the conference. For more information please contact Andy Knott, GTB Environmental Stewardship Director at (231) 271-7363 or email aknott@gtbindians.com or Suzanne McSawby, GTB Natural Resource Department Director at (231) 271-7104 or email smcsawby@gtbindians.com.

Jun. 8-10 Natural Resource Law Center (NRLC) Annual Conference, Boulder, CO

This conference will focus on the emerging water supply crisis on the Colorado River, a result of 5 years of extreme drought, growth in regional water demands, and institutional arrangements that over-allocate the flow of the river among competing uses. For more information, please contact Doug Kenney, (303) 492-1296 or email Douglas.kenney@colorado.edu

**Jun. 16-19 Community Forests in the United States: Possibilities, Experiences,
and Lessons Learned, NRLC, Missoula, MT**

This three-day national conference will bring together practitioners from around the country to explore issues, options, and experiences in community forest establishment, governance, management and use. Costs: \$100 registration (meals included) plus lodging (inexpensive dormitory options available). To find out more, go to www.communitiescommittee.org and click on "Conferences" or email Carol Daly at cdaly@centurytel.net

Jul. 12-15 8th Region 2 Annual EPA National Community Involvement Conference, Buffalo, NY

The conference includes several keynote speakers; evening social activities, open time sessions, field trips, an exhibit room, and a poster session. Please visit the conference's Web site: <http://www.epancic.org/2005/overview.cfm> for more information.

Jul. 12-15 2nd Annual Navajo Nation Drinking Water Conference, Window Rock, AZ

The conference is: "Safeguarding Drinking Water for Future Generations." For more information, please go to the following Web site: www.navajopublicwater.org/Conference or call Michelle K. Silver at (928) 871-7755.

Jul. 26-28 Regional Tribal Operating Committee (RTOC), San Francisco, CA
Contact: Lilia Dignan (415) 972-3779 or email Dignan.lilia@epa.gov

Aug. 9-12 7th Annual National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, Lac du Flambeau, WI

This annual meeting will be held at the Lake of the Torches Convention Center. For additional information go to www.nathpo.org

Oct. 24-28 13th Region 9 Annual Tribal/EPA, Coarsegold, CA

This Conference will be co-hosted with the Picayune Rancheria. For more information, please contact Sam Elizondo (559) 683-6633 or email selizondo@chukchansi.com

Nov. 2-4 2005 Brownfield Conference, Denver, CO

This is a uniquely designed conference sponsored by U.S. EPA, Region 8. It will feature environmental issues facing the west including Tribal Brownfields, mining sites, watershed issues, rural community issues. For more information regarding conference attendance, presentation opportunities, exhibits or poster sessions, check out the 2005 website: www.brownfields2005.org, or contact the Region 8 Coordinator, Robin Coursen at coursen.robin@epa.gov.

Training

Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Please note that most expenses for courses sponsored by DHS are reimbursable.

Apr 11-14 Mitigation for Tribal Officials, Emmetsburg, MD

The course provides tribal members and their representatives with an overview of FEMA's mitigation programs, outlines tribal mitigation responsibilities and discusses opportunities for achieving mitigation successes. The course will cover mitigation planning, National Flood Insurance Program and mitigation grant programs. For more information, contact Dawn Warehime, (301) 447-1309, dawn.warehime@dhs.gov

Apr. 6-7 Emergency Response Training for Tribes, Albuquerque, NM

Apr. 20-21 Emergency Response Training for Tribes, Reno, NV

Information for the above courses can be found on the National Tribal Environment Council (NTEC) Web site at www.netc.org click on the "Events" link in the left-hand column and then scroll down to the April entries. Please note that the National Environmental Services Center (NESC) out of West Virginia University is putting on the training in cooperation with NTEC. These trainings are free for those working in and with Native American communities.

Jun 6-9 Emergency Management Operations for Tribal Governments, Emmetsburg, MD

The goal of the course is to identify tribal organizational structures, operational procedures, and resources for effective emergency management operations. For more information, contact Linda Straka, (301) 447-1162, linda.straka@dhs.gov,

For more information on DHS courses, visit <http://www.training.fema.gov/emiweb>

Apr. 8-10 Photovoltaic (sunlight to electricity) Installation Training Workshop, Bronx Community College Center for Sustainable Energy, Bronx, NY

For more information, go to: <http://www.quad-state-solar.com>, or <http://www.nabcep.org/>. For additional information, contact the college at 718-289-5170, or mail@csebcc.org

May 9-13 Tribal Nonpoint Source Program (NPS) Workshops, Palm Springs, CA

(1). The Clean Water Act (CWA): A Key Tool for Watershed Protection (Watershed 101). Participants in Watershed 101 will learn how the various authorities under the CWA and other regulatory tools fit together to help protect and restore watersheds.

(2) Tribal Nonpoint Source Program Workshop. Participants in this workshop will learn about watershed-based management and how to incorporate watershed-based planning techniques in their CWA 319 on-the-ground projects.

These workshops will be held at Agua Caliente Spa Resort Casino. For more information, please contact Tiffany Eastman at eastman.tiffany@epa.gov.

May 13 Stormwater Funding and Utility Development and BMPs: Pollutants, Selection and Maintenance, Irvine, CA

On-line registration is now available for the educational stormwater workshop. The workshop offers comprehensive, critical hands-on information exclusively for stormwater- and surface-water-quality professionals. Space is limited! Register today online at www.StormCon.com/events. For more information, please call Steve Di Giorgi (805) 682-1300, ext. 129

Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals at North Arizona University (ITEP/NAU)

Apr. 4-8 Air Pollution Technology (Level 2), Las Vegas, NV

Apr. 19-22 Education Outreach for Air Quality Professionals, Spokane, WA

May 10-12 Meteorological Monitoring, Las Vegas, NV

The above courses are offered by the American Indian Air Quality Training Program in cooperation with NAU and U.S. EPA to fulfill the mandate of the 1990 Clean Air Act to offer Native American tribes full partnership in the management of air quality on tribal lands. For more information on the above courses, call Lydia Scheer (928) 523-8871 or go to Lydia.Scheer@nau.edu or visit their site: <http://www.nau.edu/itep>

Resource Training Institute (RTII)

Apr. 4-5 CERCLA Orientation and Remedial Investigations, Oak Ridge, TN

Apr. 5-6 Leadership Development Workshop, Oak Ridge, TN

Apr. 13-15 Management of Polychlorinated Biphenyls, Orlando, FL

To register, please contact the RTII Registrar at (706) 951-5685, email registrar@rtii.org or go to: http://www.rtii.org/rti_REGFORM01.pdf

U.S. EPA will sponsor arsenic training courses on the following dates and locations:

Apr. 25-26 Phoenix, AZ

Apr 28 – 29 Sacramento, CA

May 9-10 Omaha, NE

May 12-13 South Bend, IN

May 23-24 Austin, TX

These technology-focused training events are geared for state drinking water staff, design engineers, systems owners and certified operations. For more information, please visit: <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/arsenic.html>

Aug. 1-4 Emergency Management Framework for Tribal Governments, Emmetsburg, MD

The above course provide tribal leaders and representatives with a basic understanding of emergency management principles and their role in leading and directing their tribes in developing and implementing comprehensive emergency management systems. For more information, call Linda Straka, (301) 447-1162, or email linda.straka@dhs.gov

Bill Helmich Associates Training Seminars

A brochure for training seminars for April 2005 is available from Bill Helmich Associates, P. O. Box 789, Sandia Park, NM 87047, (505) 281-9884 or visit: <http://www.billhelmichassociates.com>

National Enforcement Training Institute (NETI)

The most up-to-date list of enforcement/compliance monitoring courses offered by EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance is available online. NETI is also advertising some EPA regional office-sponsored courses from Regions 4, 5 and 6. Classes of some of the most popular enforcement courses such as Basic Inspector, Advanced Inspector, and Advanced Negotiations Skills training are now available. A

free catalog and schedule list of videos and CD-ROM courses can be mailed to you by calling (202) 564-2430 or by visiting <http://www.netionline.com/> and registering as a student at EPA's "virtual university," NETI Online. Start class in your own office!

Indian Country Environmental Hazard Assessment Project (ICEHAP)

This free course is presented by volunteers and is available upon request. The volunteers will come to you and participants will learn methods for identifying and assessing environmental health hazards in the home, workplace, and community. The goal of ICEHAP is to introduce participants to specific environmental problems that may cause harm to tribal communities. Participants will learn methods for identifying and assessing environmental health hazards in the home, workplace, and community. With the information provided, participants will be able to prioritize environmental problems and identify available resources for their resolution. A model will be presented to illustrate how a community-based approach can be taken to successfully solve a community environmental health problem. For more information, contact Harvard School of Public Health, Attn: Barbara Blanchard, 677 Huntington Ave., CCPE-Dept A, Boston MA 02115-6096 (617) 384-8687 or email: bblancha@hsph.harvard.edu

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Jun 5–Jul 1 Water Resources Technician Program, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM

Aug. 7–26 Water Resources Technician Program, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, AK

These are tentative dates. Please forward applications to: Mr. Mo Balock, BIA, Branch of Water Resources, Mail Stop-4655, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240. No internet access is available for BIA at this time. For additional information regarding applications and qualifications please contact Mo Balock (202) 208-6042 or Toni Village Center at (202) 208-3956 or (202) 208-4004. The deadline for applications is April 8, 2005.

Grants and loans

Indian Air Program

U.S. EPA Region 9, Indoor Air Program has posted its 2005 Request for Initial Proposals for the Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools Program and Asthma Management Education Programs. Please click on <http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/indoorair.html> for more

information, frequently asked questions and a checklist. The deadline for this proposal is April 29, 2005. Proposals will be accepted for four projects within three program areas:

- (1) Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Tools for Schools Implementation;
- (2) School-Based Asthma Management Education; and
- (3) Local, Home-Based Asthma Environmental Education and Management

Also, the following listserve has been developed to help teachers exchange ideas on how to improve their indoor environment:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/StudentandTeacherIAQActivities>

Tribal Community: Reducing Toxic Air Pollutants Project **Closing Date: May 4, 2005**

This notice announces the availability of funds and solicits applications from eligible entities for projects to conduct education, training and outreach on the application of voluntary methods that effectively reduce the risk of human exposure to both indoor and outdoor toxic air pollutants in Tribal communities. EPA anticipates that Tribal community(s) members will collaborate with various Tribal government and non-government agencies, organizations, and stakeholders to conduct education, training, or outreach to reduce Tribal exposure to toxic air pollutants from indoor and outdoor sources. Go to the following on-line Web sites where the RFA can be viewed:

http://www.epa.gov/air/grants_funding.html#indoor or
http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/EPA/postdate_1.html

Resource Conservation Funds

Solicitations are now open for U.S. EPA Region 9 proposals for cooperative agreements that address solid waste reduction and management. Cooperative agreements will be awarded through Resource Conservation Funds under the authority of Section 8001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. A full announcement is available at:

<http://www.epa.gov/region9/funding/rcra.html> Please contact Heather White at (415) 972-3384 or white.heather@epa.gov for more information.

Targeted Watersheds Grant Program (TWGP)

EPA has announced the Call for Nominations from Tribal Leaders and Governors for watershed proposals under the TWGP. This is a competitive grant program designed to support the protection and restoration of the country's water resources through a holistic watershed approach to water quality management. The goals of the TWGP are to support community-based partnerships to implement water quality projects that achieve measurable water quality improvements, and to encourage innovative solutions in watershed protection and restoration that lead to real environmental results. Approximately \$10 million will be available to support nation-wide projects. EPA anticipates that typical grant awards for the selected watersheds will range from \$600,000 to \$900,000 depending on the amount requested and the overall size and need of the project. A 25% non-federal

match is required. The deadline for EPA receipt of nominations, both in hard copy and electronic form, is May 19, 2005. For further information, contact Sam Ziegler at (415) 972-3399 or ziegler.sam@epa.gov or visit the following Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/initiative/2005/2005grantsolicit.html> .

Water Quality Cooperative

U.S. EPA has released the national solicitation for proposals under 104 (b) (3) - Water Quality Cooperative. The FY 2005 Water Quality Cooperative Agreement Request for Proposals overview has been posted at the following site: <http://www.epa.gov/owm/wqca/2005.htm> with a link to the full announcement at: http://www.epa.gov/owm/wqca/2005_final.pdf Proposals are due April 22, 2005. For more information, please contact Barry Benroth (202) 564-0572.

Native American Sustainable Communities

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services requests applications for the Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) for Native Americans Program. SEDS emphasizes community based, locally designed projects that address economic development, social development and governance. Responses are due April 19, 2005. For more information, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ANA-NA-0003.html>.

EPA Region 9 Water Infrastructure Loans available to Tribes

The Clean Water (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loans are innovative methods of financing a range of water quality and safe drinking water projects. Under the CWSRF & DWSRF programs, EPA Region 9 provides grants or "seed money" to the states of Arizona, California, Hawaii and Nevada to capitalize individual state CWSRF and DWSRF loan funds. The states, in turn, make loans to communities, individuals, and others for high-priority water quality and drinking water activities. Tribes are also eligible to receive CWSRF and DWSRF loans from the states. The programs are managed by the states, and loans or other types of assistance for water quality and drinking water projects are distributed according to each state's program and priorities. Eligible projects under the DWSRF include installation and replacement of failing treatment facilities, eligible storage facilities and transmission and distribution systems. Projects to consolidate water supplies may also be eligible. CWSRF loans are used to build or improve wastewater treatment plants, to develop or implement estuary improvement projects, and to implement nonpoint source pollution control activities. For more state specific information about the CWSRF and DWSRF programs, visit the U.S. EPA, Region 9 Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/region09/water>

California Bay-Delta Authority science grants

This program is seeking to invest in projects that develop new knowledge about how water use and management activities interact with and affect key aquatic species and

environmental processes across spatial and temporal scales. The geographic areas of interest are the San Francisco Bay Estuary and the Bay-Delta System. To access detailed information about this opportunity, please visit: <http://solicitation.calwater.ca.gov> or call the Cal Water Helpline at (877) 408-9310.

CALFED Program Proposal Solicitations

To automatically receive more information about other CALFED Program Proposal Solicitations go to <http://calwater.ca.gov/ListServe/listsab-1.asp?Choice=1>. Contact Dan Ray of the California Bay-Delta Authority, Ecosystem Restoration Program at (916) 445-5243 if you need more information.

California Endowment Program

California Endowment Program gives grants to organizations and institutions that directly benefit the health and well-being of Californians, and those that work to provide and expand access to affordable, quality health care for California's underserved individuals and communities. The endowment offers two open application grant programs designed to fund ideas and approaches to health improvements generated at the community level.

CommunitiesFirst accepts applications year-round and is rooted in the understanding that communities are central to health improvements; and that inclusion, partnership and community ownership are critical to addressing issues successfully.

The Local Opportunities Fund provides grants of up to \$50,000 to organizations that are addressing important health issues on a local level. Applications are reviewed following deadlines in January, May and September. For more information concerning grant opportunities at the California endowment please go to <http://www.calendow.org/opportunities/index.stm> or call (800) 449-4149.

Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) Program

Closing Date: May 20, 2005

CARE is a new and unique community-based, community-driven, multimedia demonstration program designed to help communities understand and reduce risks due to toxics from all sources. CARE's long-term goal is to help communities build self-sustaining, community-based partnerships that will continue to improve local environments into the future. The total estimated funding expected for all awards under this solicitation is \$1.65 million for FY 2005. EPA anticipates awarding six Level I cooperative agreements ranging in expected value from 60,000 to \$90,000 with most Level I agreements being funded at the level of about \$75,000. EPA also anticipates awarding four Level II cooperative agreements ranging in expected value from \$150,000 to \$325,000. Most Level II awards will be funded at about \$275,000. The estimated project period for awards resulting from this solicitation is two years. Applicants are not required to have been a recipient of a Level I agreement in order to receive a Level II agreement. For more information, please go to <http://www.epa.gov/air/grants/05-08.pdf> or http://www.epa.gov/air/grants_funding.html

U.S. Fish and Wildlife

The due date for Request for Proposals (RFP) for FY 2005 Tribal Wildlife grants programs is April 4, 2005. All proposals must be postmarked before or by that date. To view the Federal Register Notices for these programs you can visit the following sites:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-2090.pdf>

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-2091.pdf>

The Western Regional Office of the U.S. Department of Energy has published the following funding opportunities. For monthly summaries of funding opportunities and other funding resources, go to: http://www.eere.energy.gov/regions/western/financial_opps.html. Full text of many of these funding notices can be accessed at the following internet sites:

FedGrants notices: <http://www.fedgrants.gov> FBO notices: Loren Data Corporation: <http://www.fbodaily.com/> or FedBizOpps: <http://www.fedbizopps.gov/>

Environmental Justice

U.S. EPA requests applications for the Environmental Justice Small Grants Program. This program provides assistance to community-based organizations that are working on local solutions to local environmental and/or public health problems. \$750K is expected to be available award range. Responses are due April 4, 2005. For more information, go to: <http://www.fedgrants.gov/Applicants/EPA/OGD/GAD/EPA-GRANTS-021805-001/Grant.html>

Underground Storage Tanks and Site Remediation Enforcement

EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks and the Office of Site Remediation Enforcement recently issued a joint memorandum clarifying EPA's policies regarding the use of leaking underground storage tank (LUST) trust fund money in Indian Country. The memorandum will make it easier for Regions to obtain approval from Headquarters for the use of LUST trust funds to investigate and remediate releases from underground storage tanks on trust lands. The memorandum addresses sites where the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) negotiated a lease with a third party on behalf of a trust land beneficiary (either the tribe or an individual) and the third party abandoned their underground storage tank(s) on the trust lands.

Mattel Children's Foundation

The Mattel Children's Foundation new Domestic Grants Program seeks applications from organizations that serve children in communities within the U.S. that address a locally defined need. Priority is given to programs that align with Mattel's philanthropic priorities:

health, education, and girl's empowerment. Pilot projects and new organizations may be considered but programs with at least two years experience are preferred. Grant awards range from \$5,000 to \$25,000 for one year. Preference is given to organizations that have an annual operating budget of less than \$1,000,000 and are not associated with a national organization. Application Deadline: Cycle I - April 8, 2005, Cycle II - September 30, 2005. For application guidelines, please visit www.mattel.com

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

The goal of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation's 2003-2008 Strategic Plan is to promote health among vulnerable individuals and communities through health programming. Health programming at the Foundation centers on improving individual and community health, and improving access to quality health care. The Foundation's grant-making initiatives focus on the non-biological determinants of health, and target communities, health care systems, and public health. Nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply for grants under three areas: Health Care Safety Net, Quality of Health Care Services, and Health Leadership - With an Emphasis on Diversity. Online applications are preferred. There is a rolling application deadline. For more information and application guidelines, please visit <http://www.wkkf.org/>

Miscellaneous items

Criminal Investigation Division (CID)

Region 9's Criminal Investigation Division (CID) is available to provide training to tribal governments on the investigation of environmental crimes. CID can provide a short presentation on who they are and what they do, or they can provide more detailed classroom training for police officers and regulators on what to look for in environmental investigations. CID can also recommend tribal officers to a two-week training for environmental investigators at the Law Enforcement Academy in Georgia. Tribes wishing to request this training should contact Pam Overman, Tribal Program Office, at (415)972-3781 or overman.pamela@epa.gov.

Asthma Awareness Month

May is National Asthma Awareness month and EPA joins the international community to increase public understanding of asthma and environmental asthma triggers. Throughout the month, EPA organizes events, conducts media outreach, releases new materials and supports local Asthma Awareness Month efforts to increase public understanding of ways to manage the environment to control asthma. Go to: www.epa.gov/asthma for more information on this activity and resources available for you to conduct your own outreach activities or call Louise Hill at (415) -947-4192

Community Health Air Pollution Information System (CHAPIS)

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has developed an internet-based mapping tool that allows a look at a map to view sources of air pollution. This system makes information regarding air pollution emissions available in ways that are understandable and visual. The air pollutant emission information contained in CHAPIS is for general information. Please consult your local air district for the most recent data available for specific facilities. The CARB should be contacted regarding mobile source emissions. For more information, visit: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/ch/chapis1/chapis1.htm>

National Coastal Condition Report (NCCR)

EPA is releasing the second NCCR, updating the first report issued in 2001. The information is based on four years of sound, EPA-sponsored consistent monitoring data from 23 coastal states, NOAA, USGS and USFWS. It serves as a continuing foundation for the EPA's efforts to protect, manage, and restore coastal ecosystems. The NCCR II will help environmental managers identify existing and emerging problems, establish quantifiable trends, and evaluate their coastal environmental programs. Hard copies of the report will be available in about a month by calling 1-800-490-9198 and requesting EPA publication # 620/R-03/002; in the meantime, copies can be printed from the EPA Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/owow/oceans/nccr2/>

EPA Region 2 Proposed Outreach

EPA seeks to conduct outreach to Indian Nations with regard to Pollution Prevention, specific to health care systems. With this in mind Region 2 introduces to Diane Buxbaum, M.P.H. Environmental Scientist. To initiate this outreach, Diane proposes to contact the Tribal/Indian Nation clinics and hospitals and IHS facilities directly. For instance, are there any lifeways that may be of interest to hospitals regarding waste management? For example, mercury-containing thermometers, blood pressure devices and gastric tubes. Diane Buxbaum can be reached at (212) 637-3919

Job openings

San Manuel Band of Mission Indians has a job opening for an environmental protection manager. While reporting to the Executive Director of Governmental Operations, the environmental protection manager directs, supervises and coordinates the monitoring and protecting of the land, air and water resources for the Tribe in light of its economic, cultural and political objectives. He/she oversees the administration of EPA grant funds and tribal funds in the implementation of these objectives. Position oversees cultural resource management as well. For more information, contact Jerry Paresa at (909) 864-8933 ext. 2141 or email jparesa@sanmanuel-nsn.gov

The Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, Thermal, CA has an immediate opening for an environmental specialist. The applicant must have an AA degree in related fields and

two years experience in working with tribes. Great Benefits. Please fax resume to (760) 397-9853.

Web sites for tribal programs and other federal programs

EPA Region 9

http://www.epa.gov/region09/cross_pr/indian/newslet.html

American Indian Environmental Office (EPA)

<http://www.epa.gov/indian>

Pollution Prevention Web site:

<http://www.tribalp2.org/aboutus.php>

Region 9 grant program

<http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/border2012-04.html>

Grant opportunities

<http://calwater.ca.gov/GrantOpportunities/GrantInformation.shtml>

Tribal compliance and enforcement-related assistance

<http://cfpub1.epa.gov/clearinghouse/index.cfm?TopicID=C:10:450:CA:TRIBAL>

Office of Compliance (EPA)

<http://www.epa.gov/compliance>

National Compliance Assistance Clearinghouse

<http://www.epa.gov/clearinghouse>

Federal Money for Native Americans

http://www.educationmoney.com/native_americans.html

Pollution Prevention and Environmental Management

<http://www.michigan.gov/deq/>

Tribal Court Clearinghouse

<http://www.tribal-institute.org>

National Tribal Environmental Council

<http://www.ntec.org/>

Federal Indian Law Handbook

<http://www.thorpe.ou.edu/cohen.html>

National Tribal Justice Resource Center

<http://www.tribalresourcecenter.org/>

National Congress of American Indians
<http://www.ncai.org>

Center for Disease Control
<http://www.cdc.gov>

Inter Tribal Council of Arizona
<http://www.itcaonline.com/>

National Water Program Strategic Plan 2004-2008 and National Program Guidance for 2005
<http://www.epa.gov/water/waterplan/index.html>

National American Indian Housing Council
<http://naihc.net>

Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance
<http://12.46.245.173/cfda/cfda.html>

Department of Energy Web site
http://www.eere.energy.gov/regions/western/financial_opps.html.

The following listserv will be used for distributing information on grants and/or funding opportunities, regulatory changes, and for gathering information that may be needed specifically for solid waste issues. If you have any questions or would like more information on this listserv, please contact Robin Powell (775) 574-0101, ext. 12.
Post message: tribal_solid_waste@yahoogroups.com

Subscribe: tribal_solid_waste-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Unsubscribe: tribal_solid_waste-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

List owner: tribal_solid_waste-owner@yahoogroups.com